COMMUTER ALERT



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CALTRANS WORKS TO REBUILD US95 NEAR NEEDLES

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY – The California Department of Transportation has hired Yeager Skanski as the contractor to perform emergency work to restore a storm damaged stretch of US95 near Needles. During construction, US95 will remain closed from Vidal Junction to Needles.

The contractor will begin work Saturday, August 5 to replace portions of the highway that washed away during last Friday night's storms. **Estimated project completion is one week.**

Detours:

- Motorists traveling in California east to Arizona can use Interstate 40 or SR62. Interstate 40 is open in both directions and bypasses the closure on the north. SR62 is also open in both directions and bypasses the closure on the south.
- Motorists traveling from Interstate 10 to destinations north such as Havasu Landing can take SR177 and SR62.
- Motorists traveling to destinations such as Parker Dam and Needles, can use I-10 or I-40 to connect to AZ95.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and cooperation and reminds everyone to always drive safely and **Slow for the Cone Zone**.

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